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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-8 are allowed. Claims 9 and 10 have been canceled herein without prejudice. The new rejection of claims 9 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, and under 35 U.S.C. § 102 is thus moot, in view of the cancellation of those claims. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that a Notice of Allowance be issued for claims 1-8 at this time.

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